

Business Operations
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**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSMIT THE DISTRICT'S PLAN FOR
THE USE OF RELOCATABLE CLASSROOMS TO THE
COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION**

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION

The 2002 legislature enacted a statute which requires that "district school boards submit a plan for the use of existing relocatables within the five year work program, to be reviewed and approved by the Commissioner of Education by January 1, 2003." Relocatables that fail to meet standards promulgated by the State Board of Education after completion of the approved plan may not be used as classrooms. At this time, the recent constitutional amendments pertaining to class size reduction and voluntary pre-kindergarten attendance do not affect the requirement to file the plan, nor to the statutory mandate requiring compliance with standards by the end of the plan period, however, the plan itself may be revised at a later date to accommodate for these factors. In addition, the goal of staff is in concert with the intent of the legislation to insure that relocatable classrooms present a favorable educational environment. Within the five year period covered by the plan, as those relocatables that cannot be economically brought into compliance are identified, they may be targeted for removal from service and the plan shall be adjusted accordingly.

The plan was compiled from data collected from the Office of Capital Improvement Projects, Advanced Planning, School Operations and Maintenance Operations. Capital improvement projects such as new additions and relief schools have been considered in the development of the plan. Attached for the Board's review is a copy of the subject plan.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida authorize the Superintendent to transmit the District's plan for use of relocatable classrooms to the Commissioner of Education

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